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## NEW BUILDING ON LINDEN ROAD AND WEYMOUTH HTS.

Dr. Arthur Ramsey To Add Six  
Rooms, Four Baths To  
Residence

### WESTOVER ALMOST READY

A. B. Yeomans, of Southern Pines, has drawings about ready for two good building jobs that will be under way as soon as the finals can be expected. One is an addition, or rebuilding of the house occupied by Dr. Arthur Ramsey, near the Highland Pines Inn, formerly the home of Hugh McNair Kahler. The plans provide for an addition of six rooms, four baths, and other extensions and improvements that will involve about \$8,000. This property is on one of the attractive sites, convenient to everything and in a neighborhood that was created by those fortunate conditions which demanded a selection of the right type of people, the right kind of buildings on ample grounds to give space to carry out the unified park scheme that characterizes the Highland Pines center.

The present house stands on a commanding rise of ground on which it gave an excellent impression of its fitness. Mr. Yeomans has suited the additions to the original structure in such manner as to carry out the original note of pleasant country home amid the shrubbery and trees of the knobs that constitute the Highland Pines group of homes, and in getting his results has extended the building in its wings to secure the appearance of a house of size and solidity, and with the grace of intelligent architecture. The work will begin soon and the rest of the summer things will carry that same old note of the hammer and handsaw that characterizes Weymouth Heights practically from one year's end to another. Tom Burgess has been awarded the building contract.

### Linden Road Activity

Mr. Yeomans has also another set of plans on the drawing boards, the enlargement of Edward King's Pinehurst home, not far from Waring's on the Linden road. This will involve about \$7,000 in the erection of two wings, making the main front of the building about 112 feet, a cottage style that is handled with Yeomans' usual skill, and which will be another interesting addition to that Linden road development. This will follow that line of construction favored by the builder in the broad areas in this section, where room is abundant, and the homemaker can have all the ground he wants for his designs without having to go into the air and allot too much of his plans to second story.

The Linden road has made such decided advances in the last two or three years that it has fixed its footing on a permanent basis of attractive and impressive rural homes. The prophets say that before long an outlet through the Sandy Run country out in Verner Reed's section will tempt more people, and in due season tie in the whole of the Deep Creek valley with Pinehurst and the Drowning Creek neighborhood down at the Eldridge Johnson and the McKinney plantations.

### Westover Nearly Finished

The Westover house, that surpassing new creation at Knollwood Heights, is now so near finished that only the painters and paper hangers and plumbers are left on the job. They are bringing out the finishing touches, and the house is losing nothing as the building draws near its final attention. From the first conception of the idea, through the hands of the men

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### LEGION SPONSORS MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES ON SUNDAY

Sandhill Post, American Legion, is sponsoring Memorial Day services at the Baptist Church, Southern Pines, next Sunday, May 31st, honoring for the 13th time since the World War those comrades who sacrificed their lives for their country. The Rev. J. Fred Stimson will deliver a memorial sermon at the services which start at 11 o'clock. All veterans are invited.

## Big Cotton Show to be Staged by Vass Woman's Club This Week

Move Launched To Make Cotton  
Products More Popular  
and Broaden Market

By Bion H. Butler

Next week Vass is to have a Cotton Show, or more particularly, a movement is to be encouraged that will have for its aim to make cotton products more popular with the people that the market may be broadened. It is a pretty good idea, yet it is not to be forgotten that Vass, and the country round about, has been active for years in stimulating the cotton trade.

One of the ancient landmarks about Vass years ago was the old cotton gin at the Leslie farm, where cotton was an active factor on that fine old plantation. It is true that cows have held their rule better than cotton on the place. Nevertheless the Leslie farm has had its influence in the cotton trade, which will live yet for many a year. The cotton mill at Vass is a monument to the breadth of vision and confidence that inspired a group of men headed by A. Cameron to establish the plant which for years has been the source of livelihood to a large number of people, and a market for an increased cotton crop in the neighborhood. Famous in the county for a lifetime has been the Cameron cotton farm below Vass where everybody who knew it confidently expected a good crop of good cotton—two things that are essential to profitable production of cotton and to the life of the cotton industry.

Frequently I have gone down there with my fine old friend, A. Cameron, to discuss the production of cotton, for he was interested in his cotton mill from the cotton seed to the case in which his yarns were packed for shipment. One thing to bear in mind regarding the stability of the cotton industry all around the world is that fundamental principle adhered to by Mr. Cameron of making his yarns in the field. Good lint makes good goods and good goods sell the cotton. A lot of the old-timers made good cotton. John McQueen, Will McNeill, John Cameron, out to the eastward, the McLaughlins down the Lobelia road, the Smiths, and others, the Blues out the other way, just as Dunc McCrimmon is working at the foundation of the cotton trade today by endeavoring to make better cotton now than the ordinary.

### Varied Interests

The Cotton Show at Vass will be a success. For when it is on the folks, in addition to talking of how to induce folks to use and buy more cotton goods, will be telling about how many chicks some particular prize hen has hatched, or how many eggs a prize-winner has contributed, or the weight of poultry produced, or the dewberries that are to be harvested this spring, or the grain that is shaping up for the coming harvest, or the pig crop, or the milk yield, or any of the many things that have been creeping into farm practice in the country round about Vass. It is doubtful if Moore county has ever been in the attitude of greater promise for the farms than this spring. Observers say the Slough of Despond has about been crossed, and that the pilgrims are emerging with muddy feet at the foot of the Delectable Mountain, but that they are emerging. The first start up the hill will not be as joyous as the climb will be farther on, but the prophets say the hard days are over, and

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### MCCORMICK IMPRESSED BY GROWTH OF THE SANDHILLS

Harry McCormick, of Harrisburg, Pa., uncle of James and Jackson Boyd of Southern Pines and a brother of Vance McCormick, former chairman of the Democratic National Committee, spent a few days in Southern Pines last week, the guest of Jackson Boyd. He was greatly impressed by the changes, improvements and growth of the section during the six years of his absence from the Sandhills. Mrs. Harry McCormick, before her death, gave \$5,000 to the Civic Club of Southern Pines as a memorial to her sister, Mrs. Dull, one of the founders of the club.

### Cotton Style Show

Vass Woman's Club Sponsors  
Public Showing of Various  
Uses of Fabric

Time—Thursday evening, June 4, at 8 p. m. Place—Vass Town Auditorium. Sponsors—Vass Woman's Club. Purpose—To encourage use of cotton goods by bringing to the attention of the public the attractiveness and desirability of the many cotton fabrics now on the market, realizing that a more extensive and intensive use of our great Southern product will mean greater prosperity in the South as a whole.

Prizes offered for several different classes of dresses, and all ages are eligible to compete. The list is as follows:

- Boys up to six years—Best play suit and best dress-up suit.
  - Girls up to six years—Best play dress and best afternoon dress.
  - Girls seven to twelve, inclusive—Best play dress and best afternoon dress.
  - Misses from thirteen up—Best sport dress, and best afternoon dress.
  - Ladies—Best house dress, best sport or street dress, best afternoon dress.
  - Misses and ladies—Best evening dress.
- The club invites all girls and women of the town and community to compete for the prizes, and the public is invited to attend the show. Attractive entertainment features are being planned.

## \$84,280 CUT IN PROPERTY TAXES IN MOORE COUNTY

Revenue Bill Reduces School  
Levy from \$125,061 in 1930  
to \$40,781

### \$10,000,000 IN STATE

Tax reduction of nearly \$10,000,000, or, to be exact, \$9,667,186, will result to the property owners of North Carolina for each of the next two years under the approved Revenue Bill, according to a table of figures prepared by the State Tax Commission.

This table shows that on the assessed valuation of \$2,978,710,226 for the year 1930 in the whole state, the 100 counties had a total tax levy of \$14,135,244 for current expenses of the six months school term. On the same assessed valuation at the proposed 15-cent tax rate the total levy will be \$4,469,058, by which it is seen that the levy for the next two years will be \$9,667,186 less than in 1930.

Moore county, the report shows, had an assessed valuation in 1930 of \$27,187,127, on which the tax rate was 46 cents for current expenses of the six months school term, which made the total tax levy for this county \$125,061. The proposed 15-cent levy on the same valuation basis will mean \$40,781 in taxes in 1931 and 1932, or a reduction in the county of 84,280.

This amount, it is pointed out, will be felt appreciably in the tax bill of the individual taxpayer in every county in the state.

### THIEF GETS \$6 FROM GARAGE CASH REGISTER

Suspecting nocturnal pilfering from the cash register of the Brown and Clark garage Virgin Clark remained outside of the office Sunday night. His patience was rewarded shortly after 11:00 o'clock by the entrance through a rear window of a man who proceeded to open the cash register in the office, securing about six dollars and escaping with his booty by diving through the sash of the street door closely followed by a shot. His cap remains as a clue for the Police Department.

## D. A. R. HONORS MAN FOR WHOM MOORE COUNTY IS NAMED

Portrait of Judge Alfred Moore  
Unveiled at Carthage with  
Fitting Ceremony

### ON 176th ANNIVERSARY

The birth of Judge Alfred Moore, for whom Moore county was named, was fittingly celebrated at Carthage last Thursday when the Daughters of the American Revolution presented to the county an oil portrait of the Revolutionary patriot to be hung on the wall of the court house. It was the 176th anniversary of his birth. Associate Justice W. J. Adams of the North Carolina Supreme Court made the principal address.

Mrs. H. F. Seawell, as chairman of the occasion, called the meeting to order, and, after the invocation, which was given by the Rev. W. S. Golden, pastor of the Carthage Presbyterian Church, introduced Mrs. J. Talbot Johnson, of Aberdeen, regent of the Alfred Moore Chapter of the D. A. R. Mrs. Johnson, in a fitting speech, mentioned briefly the aims of the Alfred Moore chapter, and recounted how the chapter's dream of presenting an oil portrait came to be realized. Mrs. Nellie Young Sandborn, of Southern Pines, an artist of renown and a member of the Alfred Moore chapter, was secured, and after careful study of her subject accomplished a splendid piece of work. Mrs. Sandborn, who was present at the exercises, received much applause from the audience appreciative of her distinctive talent. Mrs. Johnson then presented the portrait which stood on United States flags and against a background of a North Carolina flag.

As chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, W. H. Currie, on behalf of the commissioners, accepted the portrait, and G. H. Humber, judge of the Recorder's Court, gave expres-

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## Kiwanis Hears Formula For Successful Living

Prof. Dorset of Siler City, Speaker  
at Weekly Meeting Gives  
Clues To Happiness

Prof. R. C. Dorsett of Siler City was the speaker at the weekly luncheon meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Aberdeen held Wednesday noon in the Civic Club at Southern Pines. Dr. Dorsett told of the requirements for a successful life, and considered happiness as one of the chief ingredients.

To obtain happiness and success, he said, you must first find yourself. If you do not find your proper niche in life, you cannot hope to be happy. Once on the right track, work is essential, and work will be a pleasure because you are doing that for which you were intended. "Fight," he stressed as another essential to success, then "Love." Love for your fellow man, for your community, for your progress and improvement make for happiness and success. "Keep growing," he said, for when you stop growing and progressing you begin to die. And last but not least in his formula for happiness and success was cooperation.

Judge Herbert F. Seawell of the United States Court of Claims was a guest at the luncheon and spoke of the happiness it gave him to be back among fellow Kiwanians after a long absence. "In my travels across the continent of late, I have seen nothing to equal the Sandhills in beauty," he said. "Nor a better looking crowd of men!" Jerry Healy introduced a new Kiwanis song which he got Charlie Picquet to lead for him. And Charlie and Bill Dunlop sang a duet. Vice President Dan McKeithen presided in the absence of President Richard Tufts.

In accordance with past custom, Aberdeen stores and shops will close Wednesday afternoons during the summer months, starting next Wednesday, June 3d.

### Lucky Dog

Eats Some Pills, Throws a Fi,  
Drinks Some Licquor,  
Whoopee—Lit!

The old man was sick. Sick and disgruntled. The thing had hung on until he was disgusted. He went over to the doctor. Doc gave him a little box of pills. He took one or two and felt better.

The wife has a dog that is a much appreciated member of the family. Bowwow has a complex appetite—one moved at times by curiosity. The mut saw the pill box on the window sill and sampled it. The pills tasted good. They all seemed pleasing to the palate. The mut stowed them all away and then complained of a pain in his tummy.

The wife came in in time to see the mutilated box. She called the old man. Bowwow acted curiously. The old man telephoned doc both to know about the loss of his pills and the effect on the dog. "Won't hurt him any," said Sawbones. "But he is acting dreadful sick, doctor," said the wife.

Doc suggested to give the dog a teaspoonful of something that the chemist designates as C2H6O. The old man hustled around the house until he found a bottle marked "Sp. Vin." that smelled about like what the doc said, and gave the mut a dose. Fido rallied. The effect was so good the wife urged another dose, and before the bottle was emptied the mut gave a good imitation of being lit up. He would have made a hit in Charlie Picquet's animal picture show.

"Doggoned good doctor," said the old man. "One prescription cured me and cured the dog. Good old doctor."

Between ourselves the old man did not so much mind losing the pills, but he hated like the dickens for his wife to clean out the whole bottle for the dog, for maybe Fido did not need it all, and really good likker is hard to find these days.

## Grand Jury Finds Jail Needs Repairs

Recommends New Pipe Line and  
Plumbing System at  
County Prison

In its report to the Judge, the grand jury recommended needed repairs at the county jail. They found the water inadequate and the plumbing and fixtures in bad condition, so much so that two spigots would not run at the same time. The jury recommended a new pipe line from the street, using 1-2 inch pipe instead of the 3-4 now in use, and a new plumbing system to take the place of the old one. The kitchen floor needed repairs and window glasses and screens should be replaced. The jail was in sanitary and orderly condition, otherwise, and the prisoners seemed satisfied with food and treatment. Another cell to enable better segregation of the races was recommended.

A few minor repairs to the court house were recommended. The county home and prison camp were found in excellent condition.

## County Must Pay For Samarcan Trial

State Refuses To Meet Expenses  
of Entertaining Firebugs  
at Carthage

Despite the fact that the school at Samarcan is a state institution, and that not one of the girls who recently destroyed the buildings there by fire was from this county, Moore county must foot the bill for the trial of the girls at Carthage last week.

Assemblyman U. L. Spence of Carthage introduced House Bill No. 1426 in the Assembly at Raleigh Tuesday, its purport being to have the state pay the expenses of trial of the Samarcan girls in the sum of \$1,611.41, which amount covered the board and lodging of the youngsters in the jails of Robeson, Montgomery and Moore counties as well as the trial costs. It seemed a reasonable request to make of the state, considering that the girls were the state's charges.

But the House killed the bill, and the brunt of the expense falls on poor old Moore county.

## Record Session of Legislature Comes to End

Senator Johnson of Moore  
Reviews Accomplishments  
During 141 Days at Raleigh

### PRAISES U. L. SPENCE

After a record session of 141 days, five days longer than any former session, the North Carolina General Assembly adjourned at 9:49 o'clock Wednesday night.

As final passage in the Senate of the revenue bill and its enactments were formalities after the 120-day battle over it, the biggest business before the assembly on its last day was the passage of the appropriations bill, allotting approximately \$57,000,000 to State institutions, which now include the public school and highway departments.

The amount is the largest in the history of the State despite drastic cuts for both maintenance and personnel. In this total, however, is reflected \$9,000,000 to be raised by the 15-cent ad valorem levy for public schools, as the entire school maintenance fund is included.

Immediately after adjournment, Moore county's representatives, Murdoch M. Johnson of Aberdeen in the Senate and Union L. Spence of Carthage in the House, returned to their homes.

Interviewed by The Pilot, Senator Johnson reviewed the accomplishments of the record session. He said:

"Of course, the first question the tax-payers want to be answered is, HOW MUCH RELIEF, IF ANY, WAS AFFORDED IN THE LONG DRAWN OUT SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY J U S T BROUGHT TO A CLOSE? There has been levied in Moore county, I believe, a county wide tax of fifty-six cents for schools. The Revenue Act just passed increases the equalization fund by \$6,000,000.00 or more and reduces the general levy for schools to fifteen cents. This, therefore, takes off forty-one cents of the tax in

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## 26 Seniors To Get Diplomas Tonight

Dr. W. N. Walker of State University To Deliver Address to  
S. P. High School Seniors

Class Day exercises of Southern Pines High School were held yesterday, Thursday, in the school court, before a large and enthusiastic audience of parents, relatives and friends of the Seniors. Thirteen boys and thirteen girls are in the graduating class, and on yesterday's program were Carl Thompson, Jr., who made the president's address; Clifton Cameron, historian; Inath Donaldson, giftorian; Hubert Weatherspoon, grumbler; Gordon Gifford, class prophet and Malcolm Grover, the testator.

D. W. N. Walker, dean of the School of English at the State University, will deliver the address to the Seniors tonight, Friday, in the school auditorium. The Rev. J. Fred Stimson will pronounce the benediction; Miss Blanche Elizabeth Sherman, salutatorian, will read her essay; William Joseph Woodward will give the valedictory; Superintendent of Schools H. Lee Thomas will present the diplomas, and Mrs. J. B. Swett award the D. A. R. Medal for excellence in American History.

Diplomas are to be awarded the following:

Barbara Betterley, Margaret Cameron, May Dingwell, Inath Donaldson, Evelyn Edson, Rosalind Henderson, Irene Maples, Millie Montesanti, Barbara Pierce, Blanche Sherman, Maurine Sugg, Mary Swett, Mabel Wilson and Robert Abel, Clifton Cameron, John D. Chisholm, J. Gordon Gifford, Malcolm Grover, Barrett Harris, Brantley Henderson, Adrian McCarr, Antonio Montesanti, Alexander Stewart, Carl Thompson, Jr., Hubert Witherspoon and William Woodward.